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Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.99 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents, listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. A copy of the cited documents is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

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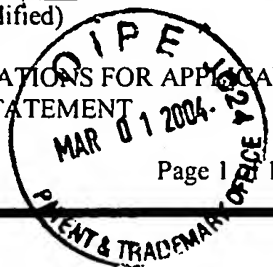
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